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November 12, 2009

William Fickel, Jr., Chief
Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division
Department of the Army
Fort Worth District, Corps of Engineers
P.O. Box 17300
Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300

Re: *Project review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended:
City of Dallas Modifications to the Baker Pump Station of the Dallas Floodway, Dallas, Dallas
County (USACE/106/201002304)*

Dear Mr. Fickel:

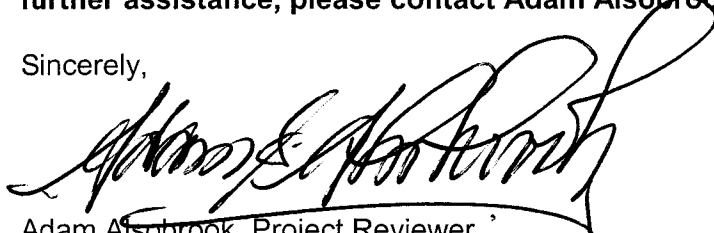
Thank you for your correspondence of describing the above referenced project. This letter serves as comment on the proposed undertaking from the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission.

The review staff in the History Programs Division, led by Linda Henderson has completed its review of the project documentation received by our office on October 26, 2009. We concur with your determination that the New Baker Pump Station, built in 1975, is **not eligible** for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Furthermore, we concur with your determination that the East Levee is **eligible** for listing in the NRHP under Criterion A for its association with the planning and development of the City of Dallas. Finally, we also concur with your determination that the Old Baker Pump Station, built in 1930, is **eligible** for listing in the NRHP under Criterion A for its association with the planning and development of the City of Dallas, and under Criterion C for its design and construction.

The review staff in the Division of Architecture, led by Adam Alsobrook, has completed its review of the project documentation provided. We concur with your determination that the construction of a new sluiceway through the East Levee will have **no adverse effect** on this resource eligible for listing in the NRHP. Additionally, we concur with your determination that the construction of a new pump station and the decommissioning and mothballing of the Old Baker Pump Station will have **no adverse effect** on this resource eligible for listing in the NRHP.

Thank you for your cooperation in this federal review process, and for your efforts to preserve the irreplaceable heritage of Texas. **If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Adam Alsobrook at 512/463-6183.**

Sincerely,



Adam Alsobrook, Project Reviewer
For: Mark Wolfe, State Historic Preservation Officer

cc: Michael Lowenberg, Chair, Dallas County Historical Commission
Jim Anderson, Historic Preservation Officer, City of Dallas

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
FORT WORTH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. BOX 17300
FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102-0300

October 23, 2009

Planning, Environmental and Regulatory Division

RE: City of Dallas Modifications to Baker Pump Station of the Dallas Floodway, Dallas County, Texas

Texas Historical Commission
Mark S. Wolfe, Executive Director
1511 Colorado P.O. Box 12276
Austin, Texas 78711-2276

Dear Mr. Wolfe,

The City of Dallas seeks approval from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to make modifications to the Baker Pump Station in the Dallas Floodway, an undertaking that invokes Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has begun a comprehensive analysis and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) regarding all proposed projects involving the USACE within and around the Dallas Floodway and its associated elements in Dallas County, Texas. However, this project is being pursued now due to health and human safety issues and the need to immediately provide flood protection around these two critical areas.

The Area of Potential Effect (APE) is limited to the immediate vicinity of the Baker Pump Station, which is isolated against the landward side of the East Dallas Floodway Levees. Within the APE are the Old Baker Pump Station (1930), the East Levee (1930/1955) and New Baker Pump Station (1975).

The proposed new pump station (reference enclosure) is located at the toe of the upland and includes a borrow pit area where levee fill was obtained and is adjacent to the sump pit area. Based on these factors of excavation and disturbance, the Corps finds that no archeological survey or testing is warranted and seeks your concurrence.

The USACE finds New Baker Pump Station (reference enclosure), built in 1975, **not eligible** for the National Register due to its age of less than fifty years as it does not meet National Register Criterion G for exceptional significance.

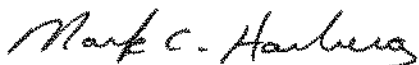
The USACE finds the East Levee (reference enclosure) **eligible** for the National Register under Criterion A for its association with events under local planning and development of the city of Dallas. Originally constructed in 1928-32 and updated in 1954, the levee system is over fifty years of age, significantly impacted the growth and development of Dallas, and retains integrity.

A new sluiceway will be constructed through the East Levee but the levee will be repaired in kind. The Corps finds this a **no adverse effect**.

The USACE finds that the Old Baker Pump Station (reference enclosure), constructed in 1930, is individually **eligible** for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for association with local planning and development and under Criterion C for Design and Construction values. The only loss of integrity is the bricking in of some windows in the 1970s, but the structure still retains the identity for which it is significant. It is being decommissioned with the new pump station being built in the vicinity, consistent with what has historically occurred to the pump stations of the Dallas Floodway as the system is upgraded. Baker will be retained by the City of Dallas in a mothballed condition. The USACE finds this a **no adverse effect** on the property.

We seek your concurrence on these findings. Please contact Joseph Scott Murphey at (817) 229-1956 or joseph.murphey@us.army.mil regarding any cultural resources questions regarding the project.

Sincerely,



~~For~~ William Fickel, Jr.
Chief, Planning, Environmental
and Regulatory Division

Enclosure

**PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO BAKER PUMP STATION OF THE
DALLAS FLOODWAY**

October 23, 2009

BAKER PUMP STATION

Baker Pump Station was constructed in 1930 as one of four pump stations of the original Dallas Floodway. The Floodway was constructed from 1928-1932 as part of a larger Plan of Reclamation by the City and County of Dallas Levee Improvement District and Dallas Levee Improvement District No. 5. Reference the attached research being conducted by the Corps on the Plan of Reclamation for the Comprehensive Analysis Environmental Impact Statement for placement of Baker within a larger historic context.

Significance

The significance of the Baker Pump Station is that is a true and representative example of a type, period and style of construction, i.e., an early 20th century pumping plant in support of a working engineering feature that significantly impacted the growth patterns of Dallas since its initial construction. Specifically, the distinctive characteristics of this type of construction are:

Sump Area to collect water to pump to the interior of the floodway.

Inlet Structure serves to direct flood water either to gravity flow during normal drainage or the pumps during floods. Concrete guide walls direct the water and trash gates keep out items that would clog the pumps.

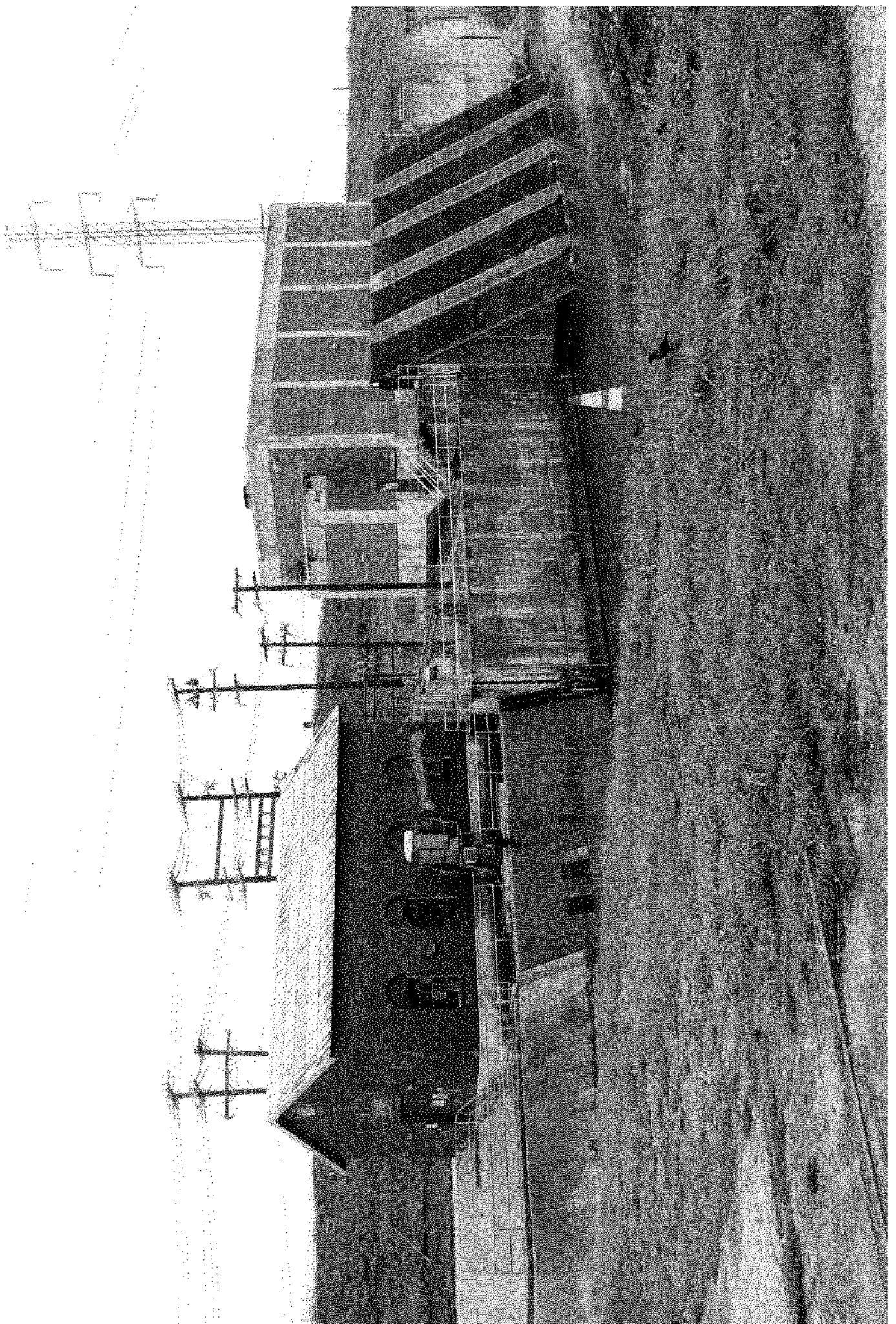
Pump House contains four 52,000 gpm pump motors in a pump room over a Discharge Chamber.

Discharge Chamber located below the pump house is a dual purpose structure. It discharges the storm water to the interior of the floodway via culverts/sluceway when the pumps are not in operation. When the water levels rise to a predetermined point, the gated openings close and the pumps begin operation.

Sluceway. This concrete tube connects at the Pump House/ Discharge Chamber and carries the storm water through the levee to the outlet structure.

Outlet Structure. Consists of concrete head and wing walls to discharge the storm water inside the floodway. Automatic flap gates keep the water from back flowing to the landside of the levee.

Baker also represents the continuing evolution of the Floodway in response to its success as a reclamation project of moving the Trinity River for planned industrial development



under the Plan of Reclamation. The development of reclaimed lands, in turn, has led to increased drainage requirements and the need for increased capacity and additional pump stations.

Integrity

As evidenced by the 1929 construction drawings (attached), the structure retains integrity. The sump area, discharge chamber, culvert/sluceway and outlet structure remain essentially unchanged. The pump house has suffered integrity loss by the elimination of the exterior windows, which were bricked in, probably during the 1954 USACE strengthening project. A new Baker Pump Station was built adjacent to Baker by the USACE in 1975. While integrity of design, materials and setting have been compromised, the identity for which the Baker Pump Station is significant is still readily apparent.

Eligibility

The Baker Pump Station is individually eligible under Criterion C for its design and construction values as an early 20th century pump station that is a true and representative example of a type and style of construction that retains integrity and the identity for which it is significant.

The Baker Pump Station is individually eligible under Criterion A for its association with events at a local level for the community planning and development of Dallas. Without effective interior drainage provided by the Baker Pump Station, development of the reclaimed lands for industrial development as specified in the Plan of Reclamation would not have been possible.

Under a separate undertaking, the Corps is currently examining its numerous actions within the floodway and is evaluating the Baker Pump Station as a potential contributing element of the Plan of Reclamation (1928-1959). A preliminary draft of the research is underway and is included for your information. Future research may reveal additional significance for this resource.

Proposed Undertaking

Due to life and safety issues due to increased flooding, the City of Dallas proposes to add an additional Baker Pump Station while decommissioning the original Baker Pump Station. The reoccurring issue with the floodway is as development increases, runoff increases and the interior drainage (getting water outside the levees into the floodway) demands increase. The increased demands leads to periodic updates to the system. Historically, the updating did not require the removal of the existing pump houses, but the addition of new facilities alongside the existing. The New Baker Station is consistent with this approach.

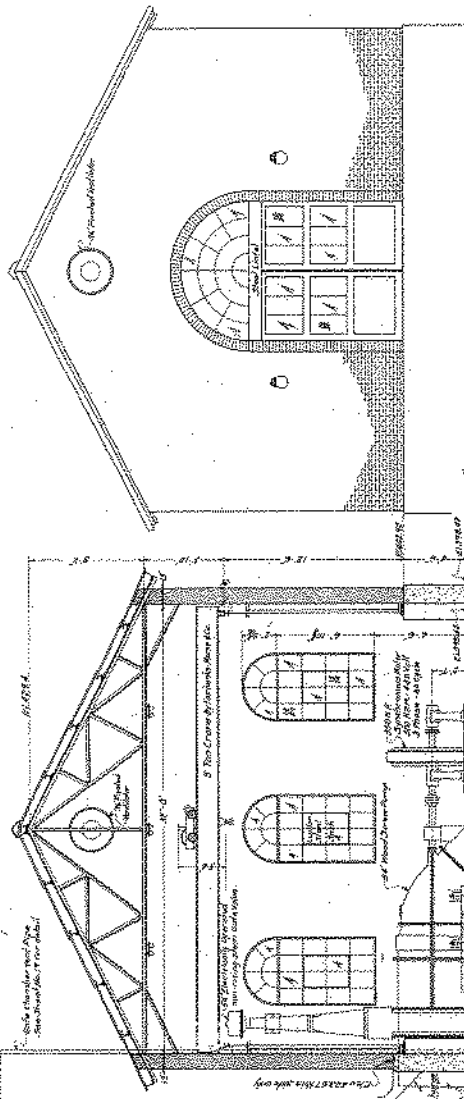
- A new pump station will be built nearby the existing Baker. This approach is consistent with previous updates of the system.
- Existing Baker will be decommissioned.
- The Pump Station, including Pumps, will be retained in a mothballed condition for potential future reuse.

Effects

The decommissioning and mothballing of the Baker Pump Station and the construction of the new Pump Station is **not an adverse effect**.

**OLD BAKER PUMP
STATION**

ORIGINAL
CONSTRUCTION
DRAWINGS



SOUTH ELEVATION

TYPICAL SECTION

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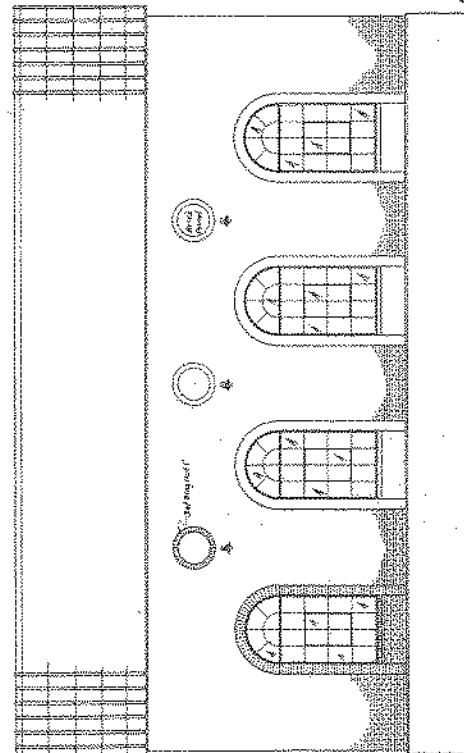
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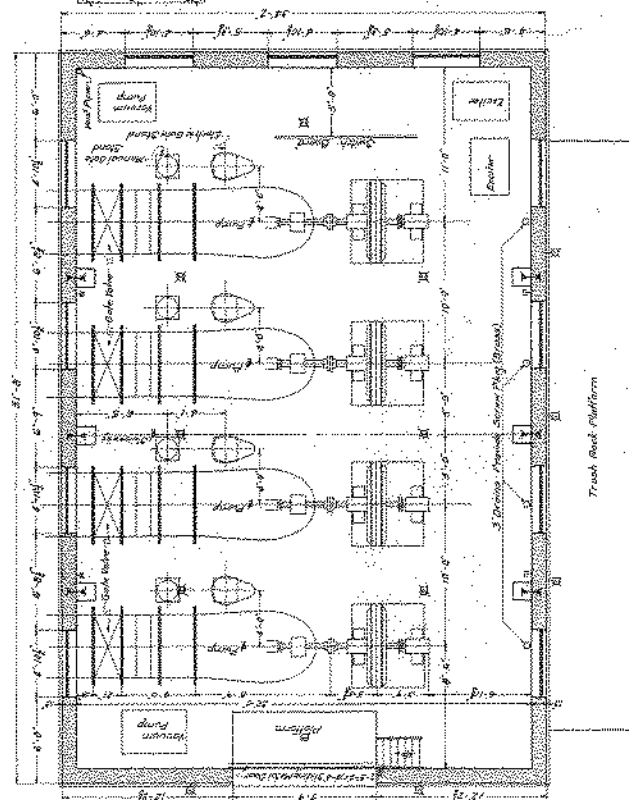
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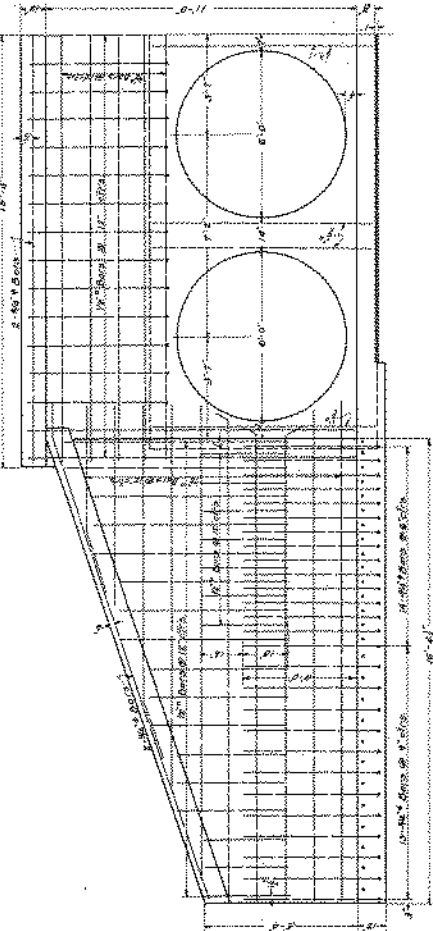
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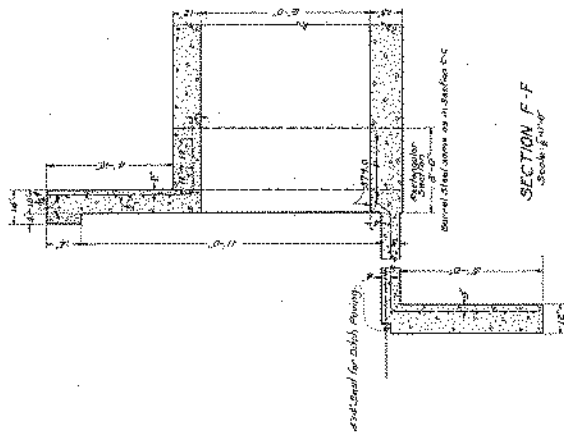
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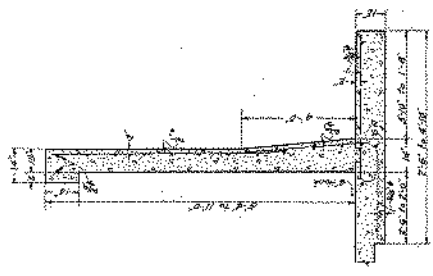
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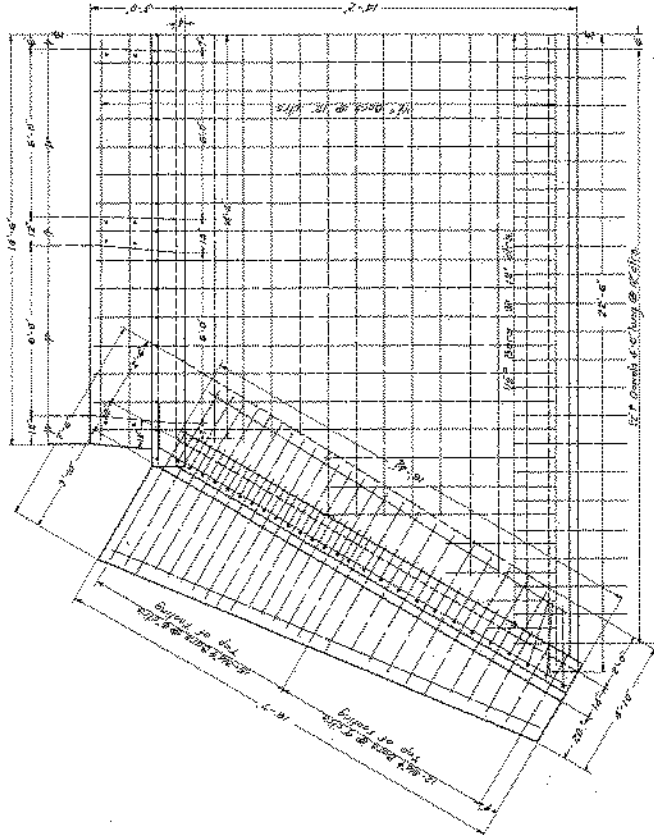
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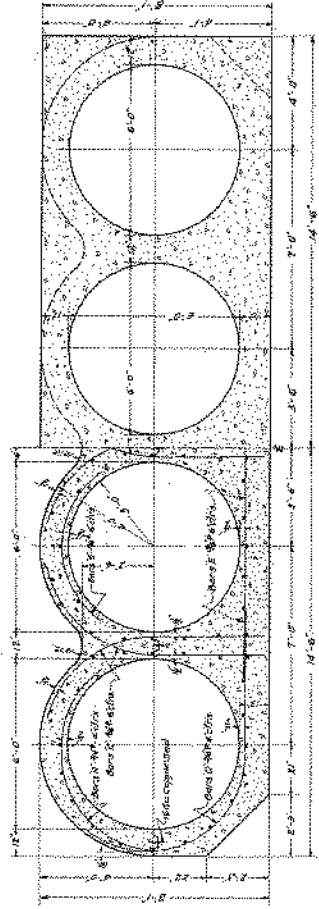
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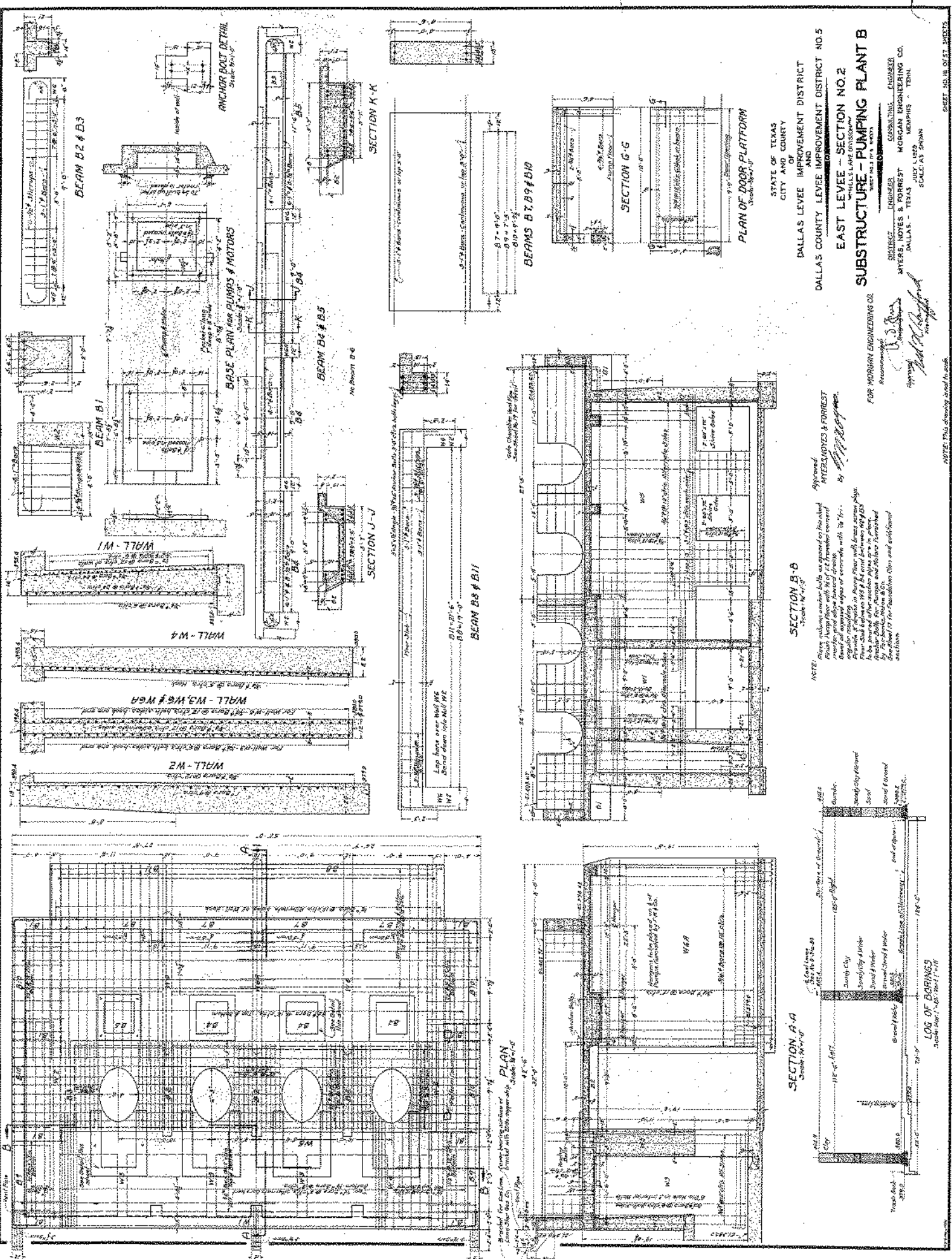
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 Registered Professional Engineer
 State of Texas
 No. 12345
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 DETAILS OF SLICEWAY - PUMP PLANT B

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SUBSTRUCTURE - PUMPING PLANT B

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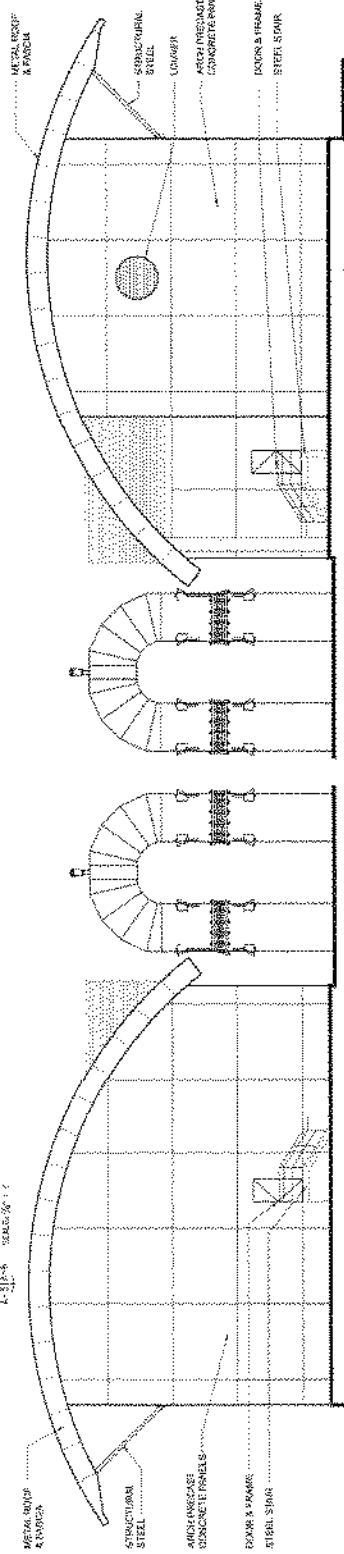
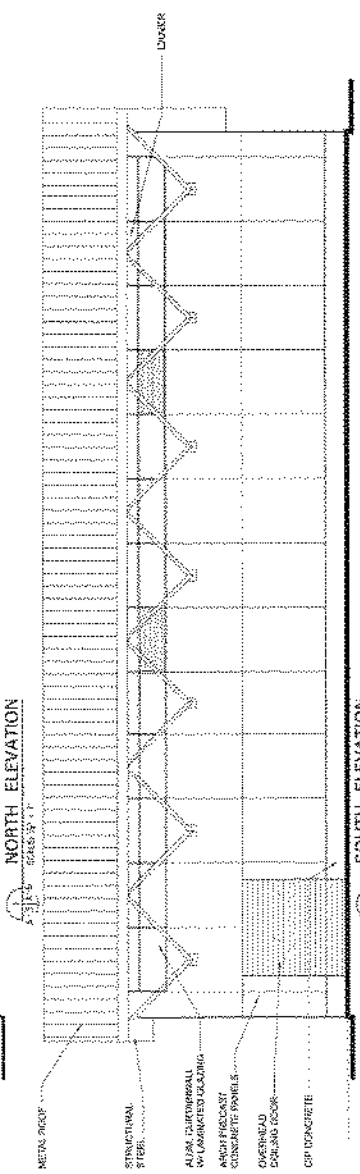
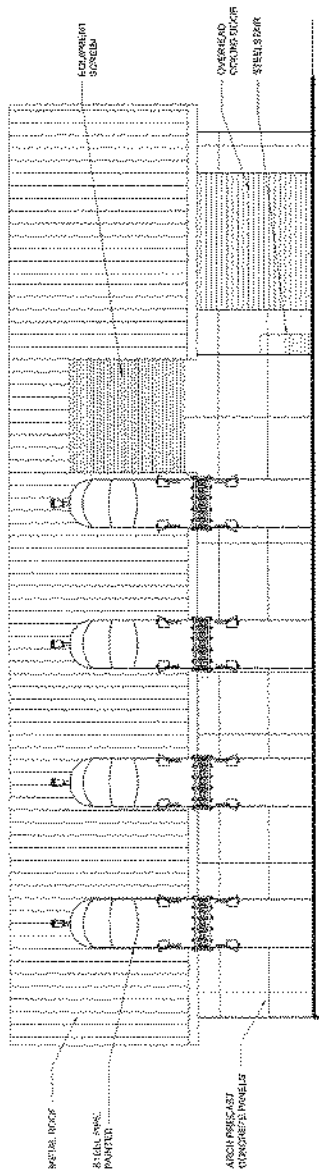
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**2009 BAKER PUMP
STATION**

**SELECT CONSTRUCTION
DRAWINGS**

Carter Burgess ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS 400 N. GARDNER DALLAS, TEXAS 75201 PHONE: 214-751-1100 FAX: 214-751-1101	CITY OF DALLAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION BAKER STORMWATER PUMPING STATION EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS SHEET NO. 46	CONTRACT NO. DB-XXXX SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0" DATE: 11/17/77



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